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OF

JOSHUA CRAWFORD.

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I, JOSHUA CRAWFORD, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York and Province of Canada, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for
5 “IMPROVEMENTS IN ABDOMINAL SUPPORTERS,” to be as follows:—

This Invention has for its object improvements in abdominal supporters, and consists of a belt or zone composed of girth, web, cloth, or other elastic material, five inches wide in front and two inches wide behind, and is
10 supported by two braces or suspenders which pass over the shoulders and cross behind, and are fastened to the belt or zone before and behind with buttons like ordinary suspenders. Or the belt or zone may be supported by shoulder braces which pass around each shoulder, and instead of crossing behind they are connected by two elastic straps, the upper one across the
15 shoulder blades and the lower one at the small of the back; these braces, as the others, are fastened to the belt or zone by buttons as ordinary suspenders in front. Two narrow straps are attached to the lower edge of the belt or zone; these are passed around the thighs and are fastened at the other end to the belt or zone near the groin; to each of these narrow straps is attached another
20 similar strap, which is attached at the other end to the body of the belt or zone at or near the hip bone; buckles are provided at proper points to adjust the belt or zone and the thigh straps to the size of the person.

Crawford's Improvements in Abdominal Supporters.

Object of the Invention.—To give relief and effect a cure in cases of rupture ; to support the abdomen effectually, and thereby relieve and prevent piles ; to prevent and cure inflammation of the bowels ; to prevent and assist a cure in cases of consumption and in dyspepsia ; to prevent abortion and other diseases incidental to the trunk of the body, and promote general health and longevity. 5

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